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Note and Comment

The Edmonton daily papers on Tuesday night announced that Engineer Robinson, "the confidential agent of J. J. Hill, the great American railway magnate," had been in the city last week looking over the ground for his employer. The news, strange to say, was contained in a despatch from Humboldt, and was accompanied by a great deal of alleged information as to what Mr. Hill's plans were. Why did Mr. Robinson keep himself so quiet in Edmonton and then go down to a place of three or four hundred people like Humboldt to tell everything that he knew? Doesn't his course seem rather peculiar for a "confidential agent"? According to Mr. Robinson, it is the Great Northern's intention to cross at Havre on the Montana boundary line and proceed to Edmonton via Medicine Hat. This does not tally with the news which came from Regina a few weeks ago, that application would be made by Mr. Hill at the coming session of the legislature to build in this direction from that of St. Paul by way of the Saskatchewan capital. Amid the rumours that are abroad about the only thing that may be regarded as certain is that Mr. Hill is content on invading Canadian territory and that his main objective point is Edmonton. Most of the reports in circulation as to the route which he will adopt are about as reliable as those which our budding yellow journalists have been furnishing to the local public regarding the route by which the G.T.P. will enter Edmonton.

When a piece of news is given a heading which takes up a full half-page, the readers of a paper naturally take it for granted that the information supplied is correct. When the Bulletin made the famous announcement which gave rise to all the real estate excitement in the north end which has fortunately now completely died down, the minor of Strathcona telegraphed immediately to the Minister of Railways and the general manager of the G. T. P., to find out how much truth there was in it. The following replies were received:

W. H. Sheppard,
Mayor of Strathcona.
We are awaiting results of surveys promised by Mr. Morse before deciding question. It is therefore still pending.
(Sgd) H. R. EMMERSON,
Minister of Railways.

W. H. Sheppard,
Mayor of Strathcona.
Replying to your message of recent date, our surveys into Strathcona are not yet completed.
(Sgd) FRANK W. MORSE.

There seems little doubt now that the purchase which caused the temporary diversion of so much poster type from the Bulletin job-room was made simply to enable the railway to secure the coal which is known to underly the point in question. Mr. W. K. Hearst had better look to his laurels.

Mr Oliver when in Regina made the statement to one of the papers there that the Dominion Government officials engaged in the ballot stuffing at Prince Albert would be immediately dismissed. He thought they should have a term in the penitentiary and said that if the Conservative candidate were to further persecute them, he would have his (Mr. Oliver's) support. But to convince the public that the leaders or candidates of the party in whose behalf they were working had nothing to do with the outrages, the work of vigorous prosecution should not be left to political opponents. It should be taken up by the Attorney-General's department. If this is done, the public will soon be able to determine whether the act was committed at by those who stood most to gain by it or not.

The Saturday News last week had occasion to refer to the remarkable part played in which Mr. George D. Grant M. P. had criticized the administration of which he is so valued a supporter. The

Bulletin on Tuesday had an explanation of the interview in question.

"Wearied with the somnolent seclusion of midwinter in the wilds of Ontario" it said "George D. made a pilgrimage to the National Capital, and there, like many another young man, fell into bad company and breathed the musings of a fretful soul into the receptive ears of the Tory scribers."

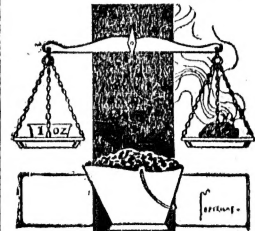
The paper from which this comes is the personal organ, let it be remembered, of a member of the government. The honorable minister was, it should be further noted, at the outset of his political career a strong independent. What would he have thought if, when he spoke against the government's Yukon railway policy, a paper controlled by one of the ministers of that day had in reply to his criticism said that he must have been drunk when he made it. A follower of the administration evidently disagrees with its policy nowadays at peril not only to his political advancement but to his personal reputation as well. As far as the public is concerned, we cannot see that it makes any difference whether Mr. Grant was drunk or sober when he gave the interview referred to. This paper took the ground that his criticism was well-founded and no satisfactory reply has yet been made to the contentions advanced by him.

Mr. Oliver, in a speech at Medicine Hat last week, asked for support for the Liberal candidate on the ground that the government believed in a tariff for revenue only. That this is Mr. Oliver's personal belief we have no doubt. But we see no reason for accepting it as the policy of the government. The theory of protection has prevailed our fiscal legislation quite as strongly since 1890 as before it. The only relief that the consumers have been given was in connection with the British preference and last year when the woolen manufacturers raised a howl about the competition to which they were being subjected by British manufacturers, the government yielded to their demands and put up the duty. Was that act in accord with the principle of tariff for revenue? The manufacturers are on quite as friendly terms with the present government as they were with that which was defeated in 1890. One of the men who appeared before the tariff commission at Ottawa last week and asked for higher duties was W. K. George, last year's president of the manufacturers' association. This is the same W. K. George, who was this week elected honorary president of the Toronto Liberal Association. And Mr. George is not the only high protectionist who is a power behind the throne at Ottawa. Is it any wonder, then, that good Liberals like Mr. Grant are growing uneasy about the administration's fiscal policy? The only hope for the party under the circumstances is that the Conservatives will continue to play the suicidal part of simply trying to go the Liberals one better in the way of bidding for protectionist favor.

The Calgary Herald and other newspapers are raising a hubbub over what they call the work of the "gang" in West Assiniboia in depriving Mr. Pingle of his seat. The fact of the matter is that Mr. Pingle, who had taken the field against the Liberal candidate, failed to comply with the requirements of the statute in making out his nomination papers and that the returning officer could not have allowed his name to stand and at the same time have properly discharged his duties. When we have an election law, it must be complied with. The Conservatives can never make headway against the government by the adoption of any such silly tactics.

The west has a new minister in Hon Wm. Templeman of Victoria, who becomes minister of inland revenue. Mr. Templeman is a genial gentleman, but not what could be described as a strong man in any way. He is well on in years and will add neither to the weight nor to the

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The Brunswick-Balke Co. have secured the contract of installing very elaborate fixtures in the Strathcona House through Messrs. Wm. Pratt & Co. of this city. When the hotel is remodelled it will be one of the most up-to-date hotels in Alberta.

The Winnipeg Free Press says: "Hon. W. H. Conger, of Edmonton, arrived in the city to-day to attend the banquet to be given next week by the western section of the Canadian Manufacturers association, and at which function he will be one of the principal speakers. Mr. Conger is staying at the Empire. Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Webster and J. K. Kennedy also arrived to-day from Edmonton and are guests at the same hostelry."

energy of the cabinet. His chief recommendation is that he served the party long and faithfully. The administration already contains too many members, whose qualifications are exactly similar to his.

The G. T. P. has decided to call its port on the Pacific coast Prince Rupert, the winner of the prize offered to the person who would submit the best name being Miss E. M. Macdonald of Winnipeg. A better choice could not have been made. A name so intimately connected with the history of the country should certainly be perpetuated.

In another column to-day there are published two letters recently received from Ontario cities supplying some very timely information regarding the way in which municipal ownership of street car lines has worked out in that province. Other testimony will follow at a later date. The step which Edmonton proposes to take in the construction and operation of its own street car lines is a very important one and before anything definite is done it is in our interests to find out as far as possible what the experience of other municipalities has been with similar undertakings. Mr. Lyon's letter is particularly valuable, coming as it does from a man of such wide interests and such thorough grasp of business principles. It certainly will not serve to dampen the enthusiasm of those who believe in having the city control its own services. It deserves to be very carefully read.

The provincial cabinet has decided to call the first meeting of the legislature on Thursday, March 15. Arrangements have been made to hold the session in the assembly room of Mackay manual school, which comprises the entire third flat of the building. It is a pity that the city did not possess a hall better suited for the purpose but under the circumstances no better choice could have been made. Next year, let us hope, better temporary quarters can be found, possibly in a new opera house, while two years hence a stately parliament house may be ready for our legislators.

Merry Masqueraders

The St. Valentine's Ball a great success in all respects.

It was a merry crowd of masqueraders that assembled in Robertson's Hall on Wednesday evening to participate in the annual ball given by the local members of the Maceabees, and the view to be had from the gallery and balconies, which were crowded with spectators, when the dance was at its height was one not soon to be forgotten. Court dandies stepped the stately French minuet with girls from the ranches of the golden west, farmers and sailors and highlanders and clowns had as their partners Grecian beauties, shepherdesses, gypsies and dainty school girls. All phases of life of the present and the past were represented, and a more thoroughly successful affair of its kind could not have been wished for. Clark's orchestra supplied excellent music. The masks were kept on till midnight, when supper was served. On their removal, some very amusing discoveries were made. Among the many on the floor were the following:—

Mrs. W. A. Deyl, Aunt Dinah; Mrs. W. Springfield, Alberta; Mrs. T. Madon, School Girl; Mrs. M. M. Helme, Royal Mail; Miss A. Pinckston, Swiss Girl; Mrs. Cameron, Miss Muffitt; Mrs. C. W. Springfield, Alberta; Miss Tidsbury, Grecian Girl; Mrs. G. A. McAlpine, Lady of the Snows; Miss Alma Berg, Gypsy Gypsy; Miss Watkins, Shepherdess; Miss Studelaker, Western Girl; Mrs. J. W. Thomas, School Girl; Miss Mabel Olmstead, Maid of Athens; Miss Marguerite Henderson, Dawn; Miss Violet Murray, Western Girl; Miss M. Pinckston, Night; Miss M. Groat, Fairy; Miss Cameron, Widow; Miss P. Johnston, Red-riding-hood; Miss K. Webster, Highlander; Miss Margaret Iverson, Miss Canada; Miss L. F. White, Queen of Diamonds; Mrs. A. F. McLeod, Queen of Hearts; Walter Scott, Highlander; E. R. Murray, Farmer; W. S. Henderson, Trapper; A. W. Cameron, Elk; M. Graft, Fireman; J. Prigon, Fireman; Thomas Mitchell, Governor's Son; W. Regan, Gentleman of 17th Century; C. Smith, Sailor Boy; W. Blachford, Antonio; D. B. Maurice, Jack of Clubs; L. Rayner, Prince Otto; W. Henderson, Trapper; G. A. McAlpine, Prince Charles; J. V. McLeod, Clown; H. Milne, Sailor.

The committee to whom many con-

gratulations are due was composed of Sir Knights W. A. Deyl, G. A. McAlpine and A. C. Dempsey. The judges, ex-Mayor Short, T. M. Turnbull of the Bank of Commerce, and R. Goldschmidt, manager of the Hudson's Bay Store had a difficult task in making their awards that were as follows:—

Best dancer French minuet, Mr. and Mrs. Grant McAlpine; Mrs. McAlpine dressed as Our Lady of the Snows, and Mr. McAlpine dressed as Prince Charlie. Lady's prize, satin slippers; Gentleman's prize, stick pin.

Best waltzer, lady, Miss McLeod as Dawn, pair house slippers; Gentleman, Mr. Wagar, evening dress, necktie.

Best staidest character, lady, Miss Watkins, Shepherdess, Bottle perfume; Gentleman, E. R. Murray, man from Kansas, a clock.

Most original character, lady, Miss Alma Berg, Gypsy, silk drape; Gentleman, Walter Henderson, Trapper, a picture.

Best dressed lady, Miss Olmstead, Maid of Athens, silk blouse.

Best dressed gentleman, J. L. Rayner, a prince, safety razor.

Second best dressed lady, Miss Pinkston, box bon-hons.

Second best dressed gentleman, Will Blachford, as Antonio, pair gloves.

Best patriotic character, lady, Mrs. V. Hood, as Canada, cake tureen; Gentleman, Walter Scott, Highland Laddie, Picture frame.

Best comic costume, lady, Mrs. Thos. Mellon, as little girl.

Best comic clown, gentleman, Frank Broderick, as clown, sack floor.

Will Eaton Start in Vancouver?

It is said in Vancouver that a scheme is on foot by which a local syndicate will acquire from the government the present court house and will at once turn it over to Timothy Eaton & Co., of Toronto and Winnipeg, incidentally making a nice little profit out of the deal.

A few months ago a report was published to the effect that Eaton was looking to the coast. Victoria papers actually stated once that a deal for premises on Government street, in Victoria, was completed. It is true that Eaton's agent was on the coast and looked at both Victoria and Vancouver, deciding on Vancouver as the city for the firm's operations. Since then certain local men including a well known lawyer not unconnected with politics, have been quietly trying to satisfy Eaton's requirements. These requirements, for which the firm paid a very high price in Winnipeg, include a frontage on at least three streets and a central location. The surrounding streets are required not only for business purposes but also in order to lessen insurance rates and to give satisfactory light. The report has also been circulated from time to time that the big Toronto merchant was thinking of coming to Edmonton, but it is not generally believed that it has any foundation.

John Galt, the well-known engineer of Toronto, visited Red Deer the other day to consult with the council regarding a sewerage system. Waterworks have recently been installed in this progressive town.

An accident which may terminate fatally occurred to Meslames Brown and Cunningham, at Oils, on Tuesday night. They started out with a company of young people for a party at R. Dunsmore's in the country. When the rig was crossing the walk at Dean's corner the ladies were tipped out of the vehicle and are now lying in a critical condition at the Alberta. Slight hopes are entertained for their recovery.

John Archibald, of Oils, while blasting in a well Tuesday, received a very bad wound on his hand, severing two fingers and tearing the palm badly. Mr. Archibald will be laid up for several weeks.

Our Sale and Want Column

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- \$5,500. For three lots and splendid house in R.L. 10. Terms.
- \$1,050. A Neat cottage and good lot in East End close in.
- \$2,500. Will purchase a splendid two-storey house in R.L. 10.
- \$1,200. For house and stable, this is good buying. East End.
- \$1,000. For house and stable in R.L. 12. Terms.
- \$750. Buys a house and lot in R.L. 12, bk. 19. We can sell this again easily at a profit.
- \$3,800. Will purchase four lots in bk. 8, H.B.R. Corner position Don't miss this. Easy terms.
- \$2,700. Will purchase swell house in East End close in, see us re this proposition. Terms.
- \$600. Each, will buy two lots on 6th street, H.B.R. This is going to be valuable property. Terms.
- \$1,400. Will purchase swell up-to-date house on 5th street, H.B.R. close to Jasper. Have a talk with us re this. Terms.
- \$2,400. for a nice Cottage in block 6, H.B.R. This is A1 buying and terms are easy.
- \$10,000. buys best property on Jasper avenue, block 6, H.B.R. Prices are rising here. Good terms.
- \$1,150. This is a dandy lot in H.B.R. 13th street. Terms.
- \$1,250. Another snap and terms, in 15th street. H.B.R.
- \$2,500. for a lot close in on 1st street. H.B.R. Very easy terms.
- \$6,000. Corner lot on 3rd street, H.B.R. Easy terms. This is first-class buying.
- \$5,200. Corner lot on Jasper avenue, terms. This is a chance to get a lot which will give a fair profit in a few months.
- \$1,850. We are instructed to sell an extra fine house with seven rooms, and up-to-date in every way, and Lot on Fraser and Queen's avenues, \$700 down balance to suit.
- \$3,300. For large block on Jasper avenue with house, close to Post Office. If you can find time call and see us, we have several propositions like this. Term.
- \$17,500. For five lots on 1st St. H. B. R. Terms. Don't miss this snap.
- \$3,000. Will handle a lot on 5th St. H. B. R. close in to Jasper. Good terms.
- \$6,500. For up-to-date-house on 5th St. Easy payments. South of Jasper.
- \$13,500. For lot on Jasper between Fraser and McDougall avenues with buildings. This is worth investigation. Terms easy.
- \$1,350. For two lots and nice little house in river lots close in, terms.
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A. S. Rosenroll, of Wetaskiwin, has sold his large property to Robt. J. Daley, for \$62,500. The deal was negotiated by L. E. Standefer. The property comprises about 3,500 acres of fine rich land (a beautiful river bottom), particularly noted for the quality of its grain. Many people from the vicinity and some even from a distance have been getting their seed wheat from Rosenroll.

The Toronto Dominion Short-horn breeders have made the following grants to the western associations: British Columbia, \$200; Alberta, \$400; Saskatchewan \$300, and Manitoba, \$500.

On Feb. 8, Mr. and Mrs. James Dick, of Ponoka, celebrated their golden wedding. They came originally from Lanark, Ont., but for 30 years lived in Minnesota, coming to Ponoka six years ago. The evening was spent most enjoyably by a large number of guests.

A creamery is to be erected at Ferryboud this spring.

Supt. and Mrs. Begin and family left Lethbridge on Friday night for Prince Albert. On Wednesday Major Begin was waited upon by a deputation of citizens, headed by Mayor Rogers, and presented with an address and gold watch.

J. T. Edwards, junior clerk in the Bank of Commerce, Lethbridge, has been moved to the branch at Red Deer.

The banquet to J. T. Moore, M. P. P., of Red Deer, has been indefinitely postponed.

An application to be made at the approaching session of the legislature for an act to incorporate the Red Deer Tramway Company with power to construct lines to any points in the province of Alberta not more than 80 miles distant from Red Deer.

It is said that the Royal Hotel in Red Deer will be reopened shortly.

Knut C. Berge of Coal Lake was killed by a falling tree last week. He was a Norwegian and leaves a wife and five daughters.

Tenders are being received for the new post office at Medicine Hat.

Lethbridge wants a land titles office established in that town.

The double train service will commence on the C. P. R. next month.

Miss M. Davis, matron, and Miss A. Dadds of the Red Deer memorial hospital have been dismissed by the Board.

The Deputy Postmaster-General has issued a circular to postmasters regarding the transmission of vulgar and suggestive pictorial postcards through the mails. The instructions state that not only indecent, but grossly vulgar, postcards are to be regarded as non-transmissible in the mails. Vulgar and suggestive postcards are to be forwarded to the nearest branch dead letter office, but indecent postcards, posted in Canada, are to be forwarded to the postoffice inspector for the district, with information as to the name of the sender if such is known to the postoffice.

At Friday's session of the Synod

of Montreal diocese Rev. Dr. Tucker, general secretary of the Canadian Missionary society, said the Church of England must awaken to the immense possibilities of the Canadian west or it would be left behind. In districts where the Anglicans had not one clergyman, Methodists and Presbyterians had three or four. He recalled the loss the church had sustained in Ontario owing to the enterprise of other denominations. "Are we," asked Dr. Tucker, "going to see that rich western region, two-thirds of our Dominion and the best of it at that, to be gobbled up, body and bones, by the Methodist and Presbyterian bodies without our raising a hand?"

Hon. W. T. Finlay has written to the mayor of Medicine Hat that he is using all the influence possible with the other members of the provincial executive to secure the traffic bridge at that point and that he has so far met with fair encouragement.

The home of Conrad Holland near Walsh was completely destroyed by fire recently. Mr. Holland came to Alberta from Washington territory a short time ago. He and his wife escaped with nothing but their clothing.

Mayor Emmerson of Calgary president of the Alberta Municipal Union, has addressed a letter to the head of each municipality in the province, asking them to be present at the convention to be

held in the Oddfellows' hall, this city, March 6th and 7th next, for the purpose of forming a union of Alberta municipalities. Each municipality will be entitled to send as many delegates as they desire.

Another Social Evening

The second monthly social of the Edmonton Union of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners was held on Friday evening, 9th inst., and a full house enjoyed the following programme after some light refreshment. Bro. Ernest E. Kidd, president, opened with "Anchored," this old favorite song being received with hearty applause. Bro. Thomas Wood played the "Battle March of Delhi" as a pianoforte solo. This highly descriptive piece was rendered with precision and expression. Bro. J. W. Guild sang "Just as the sun went down," a song which awakened a patriotic chord the audience joining heartily in the chorus. Then followed another descriptive pianoforte sketch by Bro. Wood, entitled "The Wolves." Bro. J. Wilson sang a song entitled "Must You," which kept the members convulsed with laughter. The next item was unique, "Poor Old Joe" was rendered as a whistling duet by Bros. Guild and Wood with piano and guitar accompaniment and met with ringing approval. The audience loudly called for an encore, and Bro. J. W. Guild responded with "The Mocking Bird" as a whistling solo. Bro. E. E. Kidd sang "Queen of the Earth," and "Junita" was sung by Bro. James Nicholas. Both were well received. After the usual votes of thanks the members suggested that the next social be a mixed one, and that the Strathcona Local Union be invited to spend the evening with them.

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The Seed Fair

Brings out Some Facts About Alberta Products Which the World Should Know About

Those in charge of the seed fair held this week in Edmonton should be warmly congratulated on the result of their efforts. Mr. McKillop, the Alberta representative of the seed branch of the Department of Agriculture, on Tuesday night declared that in all his experience with such exhibitions either in the east or the west he had never seen the equal of that in this city, and he certainly spoke in such a way that no one could doubt that he meant what he said. Thomas Daly of Clover Bar, who captured the handsome Silver Trophy presented by Mr. Seton-Smith of this city for the best 1000 bushel sample of oats, has won prizes all over the world but states that no where had he met with such hard competition as right here at home. As Hon. Mr. Oliver said in presenting the trophy, there is no doubt in being awarded the prize for the best oats in Edmonton district, he won it for the best oats on the continent of America. Mr. Daly's sample certainly made those sent by the government to be used as standards in the judging look like the proverbial thirty cents. The government sample, produced in Manitoba, weighed 38½ pounds. Mr. Daly's tipped the scale at 43½ and it is extremely doubtful if a single one of the 56 entries did not weigh more than that sent by the government. These are facts which the world should know of and every citizen of Northern Alberta should make it a point to scatter the information as far as possible. The medal for the best collection of seed grain, comprising five samples of one bushel each, went to Mr. J. A. McPherson of Spruce Grove. Clover Bar school district greatly distinguished itself by winning the school district prize. It was not alone in oats that the superiority of the Edmonton district was shown. The wheat and barley samples were also quite able to hold their own with those furnished by the government.

Robertson's Hall was crowded to its capacity on Tuesday night when the seed fair entertainment was given, a large number being present from both country and city. The chair was occupied by ex-

mayor MacKenzie. Miss McAmmond firmly established her reputation as an elocutionist and Miss Webster's and Mr. Hook's musical numbers were warmly appreciated. Excellent addresses were given by Hon. Frank Oliver, Premier Rutherford, Hon. Mr. Finlay, J. R. Boyle M. P. P., George Harcourt, A. T. Cushing, ex-mayor Short, Principal Riddell, W. J. McKillop and J. Fletcher of Ellerslie. The Saturday News had occasion to refer at length to the last-named gentleman's speech before the tariff commission in December and on Tuesday before a larger audience he confirmed the splendid impression which he made on the first occasion. He is one of the brightest of the bright men which the Alberta Farmers' Association possesses among its officers. Most of the burden in connection with the seed fair rested upon W. E. Stevens. No man better equipped for the task could possibly have been found and its great success is due in a very large measure to him.

The vicar of a church on leaving his house close to the church saw a little girl friend of his talking to a stranger. "What was the man saying to you, Madge?" he asked as he came up to her. "Oh," she said, "he just wanted to know if Dr. M.—wasn't the preacher at this church." "And what did you tell him?" asked the clergyman. "The little girl drew herself up with an air of great pride. "I told him," she answered with dignity, "that you was the present incumbent."

Speaking of the chairman's announcement at the concert on the train reminds me of a story that was widely related about the time of the King's coronation. A clergyman was conducting a special thanksgiving service in connection with His Majesty's recovery. After enlarging on the serious nature of the malady, the good man is said to have continued: "And now, my dear friends, let us join in singing Hymn No. 48, 'Peace, Perfect Peace'—in the appendix."

Sporting Notes.

The touring Edmonton hockeyists won a hard-fought victory at Calgary Monday night, defeating them by 3 to 2 and their admirers expect them to come back with the scalps of most of the teams that they meet. The Calgary game was rough and exciting. Just one minute before time, Hanford by a long lift scored the winning goal.

Tuesday evening the local boys played at Regina and lost by 5 to 3 goals.

Great credit is due the Campbell rink of Edmonton for its fine showing at the Calgary bonspiel, winning as it did the visitors' contest. The Calgary papers are high in their praise of the rink's work.

The Argonaut Rowing Club of Toronto is preparing this coming summer to send to Henley the fastest and best crew it has ever gathered together. In their former appearances at the same great sculling meet, the Argonauts, though making a creditable showing were never able to defeat English crews, which is invariably drawn from the best oarsmen to be found in Great Britain. In the present instance the Argonauts are going farther afield than usual, and their crew will be truly representative of the Dominion. The men in prospect are all big, strong, husky chaps, and the Britons in the Mother Land will have to hustle to beat them.

Nine men will be sent across, possibly the following:—Fellows, who is one of the finest sweep oarsmen in the world; Grub, Don Mackenzie, Percy Hardisty of Edmonton, Kent, of Winnipeg; Philip Boyd, Jimmy Mackenzie, Thompson and Joe Wright.

The Los Angeles Examiner says: "The Mackenzie brothers of Canada have a whole lot of money, and their father has a barrel or two more, but at that they like to take a fall out of the bookies and collect the dust. The brothers turned Cicely loose and pulled off one of the biggest coups of the season. Coupled in the betting with Lady Huron, Cicely opened up at the nice price of 12 to 1, and the bombardment began. As fast as the chalk consumers could reach their rubbers the filly was played down, and the books refusing bets at any figure."

It is thought that young De Wend Fenton, who was recently "warned off" the heath at Newmarket by the jockey club for dishonorable riding in a match at Sandown with Lord Gerard, is on his way to Western Canada. To be "warned off" by the jockey club—a penalty imposed by the three stewards of the body, constituting a triumvirate, which may be described as the most powerful in the racing world,—is the worst punishment, short of a criminal conviction and sentence to penal servitude, which it is possible to receive. It stamps a man with the same stigma of infamy as a card cheat, and not only disqualifies him from every kind of participation in racing and even from appearance on any race course, but like-wise brands him as unfitted for the society of any man of honor. Of course, young Fenton, who is the rich scion of an old county family in Yorkshire, an Oxford graduate, formerly moving in the best society in London, has been forced to withdraw from all the London clubs to which he belonged, and has become in every sense of the word, an outcast.

American athletic ideals are admirably illustrated in a New York despatch which appears in a Buffalo paper:

"Lacrosse is not such an awful bad game to watch. There are all kinds of possibilities for rough house, and that's what makes a game for your American spectator. Incidentally, also, that's what makes football our best paying college sport—the possibilities for rough house. Reform it—make it more gentle—and you kill it, as far

as the spectator is concerned. The spectators pay most happily when there is a chance to see physical courage displayed. The rougher the game, the more physical courage required to play it, and the more exhibitions of physical courage, the bigger the crowd. One reason why lacrosse does not draw the enormous crowds is that comparatively few people know its sterling qualities. But this fault stands a fine chance of being eradicated shortly."

The opening baseball game of the season was played in Lethbridge on Jan. 27. It was a perfect day; there was not a breath of wind, the sun shone warmly and the thermometer registered 53 degrees above. The players were garbed in the identical costume that would adorn them in a game in July and very few spectators appeared with even a fall overcoat. The contesting teams were Lethbridge and Calgary, and the former won easily by 13 to 1. On Feb. 2, Medicine Hat won from Lethbridge in Medicine Hat by 4 to 3.

Some Further Offers

The Saturday News is pleased to be able to announce an extension of its offer to paid-up subscribers. A large number have already taken advantage of the opportunity to secure the Montreal Family Herald and Weekly Star at a reduced rate. Similar opportunities are now offered in connection with the Toronto Globe, the Montreal Witness, World Wide, an admirable weekly review published by the proprietors of the Witness, and the Northern Messenger, as well as two such excellent western papers as the daily and weekly Winnipeg Free Press. Here is what it is possible to obtain by subscribing to the Saturday News for one year:

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The Fort Saskatchewan Reporter in its report of the sitting of the Supreme Court there says: "There were no criminal cases tried and the wonder is, why criminal as well as civil cases are not disposed of here instead of the inconvenient method now employed of taking witnesses from this district to the sittings of the supreme court at Edmonton, there to remain at a big expense until cases come up. These cases certainly should be tried here and we hope that such will be the case at the next sitting."

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Personal

J. E. Laurencelle is spending a holiday on the Pacific coast.

F. C. Wright, assistant accountant of the Bank of Commerce at Woodstock, Ont., has been made manager of the branch being opened up at Humboldt, Sask.

R. A. Robertson went to Winnipeg on Saturday last to meet his mother and sister on their return from the East.

H. A. Aylwin, inspector of the Bank of Hamilton, was in Edmonton this week. He has been in Calgary and went on to Battleford. He is in the Province with a view to locating new branches of the bank here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCallum of Strathcona have returned from their honeymoon spent in the East.

Mr. Wiebe of the Rosthern branch of the Imperial Bank, who has been relieving at North Battleford, has been transferred to Edmonton.

F. T. Fisher and T. W. Lines are the Edmonton delegates in attendance at the annual convention of the Western Canadian Immigration Association in Winnipeg this week.

J. B. Niblock, superintendent of the C. & B., came up to Strathcona on the end of last week.

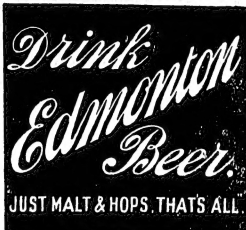
Miss Riley, who has been visiting Miss Gariepy, has returned to Calgary.

Practices of Gaul's "Holy City" are proceeding at Alberta College.

The Misses Cushing and Cameron have returned to Calgary after a visit to Edmonton.

Mrs. Ewing has been the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Lafferty, Calgary.

Miss McConnell of the Hudson's Bay office has gone on a visit to Portage la Prairie.



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Here and There

Our Lady of the-Snows ?

A Nation spoke to a Nation,
A Queen sent word to a Throne,
"It may be cold in my mother's house,
But it's awful hot in my own;
We're now having heat prostration,
And the balmy south wind blows,
And this is January !"
Said our Lady of the Snows.

"Read the news in the papers;
Closed is the skating rink,
Westmount has seen a robin;
The ice crop's on the plink;
The St. Lawrence has had a sun-stroke
Toronto has seen a rose;
Hey, Kipling—in January,
Said our Lady of the Snows.

"Carry the word to my sisters—
To the Queens who are frozen still—
Show our thermometer readings
Taken at old McGill;
Shovel out Rudyard Kipling,
Thaw out his hands and toes;
Tell him there's something doing !"
Said our Lady of the Snows.

—Montreal Star.

"And thousands of miles to the westwards
And leagues from the boundary

line
O'er limitless snowless acres
Are feeding the houseless kine.
The farmers are starting their seeding
Where the gentle Chinook blows.
Of the frozen west, please give us a rest !"
Said our Lady of the Snows.

The baseball season had opened
Ere winter's last month began
And the noisy hockey roter
Gives way to the baseball fan.
They complain that they have no sleighing
Where the broad Saskatchewan flows.
Is this a land of the wilderness brand ?"
Asked our Lady of the Snows.

Last week I had something to say about doctors and their professional etiquette. I learn from the eastern papers that my opinions are shared to a very large extent by other newspaper men. The Canadian Press Association met in Toronto a few days ago, and the members thereof certainly handed out some hot stuff for the delectation of the sawbones. A discussion arose over the recent action of the Medical Council in disciplining a doctor who believed in advertising. "Who composes this Medical

Council that arrogates to itself the right to control the advertising columns of the press of Canada?" queried Editor H. B. Donly, of Simcoe, with considerable warmth. "And what right have they to hold the axe over any enterprising physician who desires to advance his practice by legitimate and honest advertising. We all know the humbugs they represent—the dead-head doctors, the 'regular' practitioners always seeking to beat their way to free puffs and complimentary notices. These fellows who want to dodge the expense of an honest advertisement themselves hide behind this so-called 'professional etiquette,' step in and say, 'If you do we'll take your parchment away.' And the present law permits this arbitrary conduct. I am glad the Canadian Press Association purposes to bring the matter before the Government, and I hope besides that every publisher and every editor and every newspaper in the Dominion will make the welkin ring until this abuse is done away with."

This is vigorous language but it was certainly justified by the circumstances of the case. An interesting point was brought out by Mr. Mackay, the manager of the Globe, who stated that he had unquestioned proof that the doctor, whose conduct offended the Medical Council, was disciplined not because of the mere fact that he advertised, but because of the size of his advertisement. The Lounger was particularly interested in this remark of Mr. Mackay's, on account of a conversation of which he heard the other day. A newspaper employee told him of having once canvassed a dentist for a subscription. He met with a refusal on the ground that any paper which published an advertisement for a dentist larger than an ordinary professional card would not have his support. Yet the advertisement referred to was simply a plain, matter-of-fact statement, detailing the methods that were followed and the prices that were charged. There was nothing about it that any self-respecting man need be ashamed of. The advertiser simply gave information which it was to the interests of the public to be in possession of, and sensible men will think all the more of him for availing himself of the aid of the press. You might think to hear some professional gentlemen talk that they did not care whether they secured a good practice or not. But as soon as you become at all intimately acquainted with them you find that, if they are ambitious and have not already as much work as they can attend to, they never lose an opportunity to get themselves before the public. Some attain their object skillfully; others are apt to make laughing-stocks of themselves. But all would win the confidence of the people to a larger extent if they would come right out and put aside all the sham that is comprehended in their rules of etiquette and seek business as other people do.

A \$10,000 hotel is to be erected in Regina where Wadhams' bakery now stands. It will be four stories high and have accommodation for 100 guests. The Saskatchewan capital can stand another hostelry. There is a race each night from the train to secure rooms at the existing hotels and they are not very inviting. Yet Regina is not alone in this respect. All over the west, even at this time of the year when

there is no unusual rush into the country, the hotels that are at all passable are taxed to their utmost capacity. No wonder that we hear of large fortunes being made by the proprietors. One, who conducts a first-class house in a neighboring city, is said to have made \$35,000 out of it last year. Less than a decade ago he was occupying a very humble position in the city of which he is now so prominent a citizen.

Rev. Dr. Rainsford, the famous New York preacher, has resigned and his place has been taken by Rev. Hugh Birckhead. The latter is not yet 30 years old and the old question whether it is to the advantage of the world in general to have young men advanced to important positions early in life stands a good chance of being debated over again in connection with the appointment. Dr. Osler's theories have done a good deal to keep it before the public in recent months. The west is the young man's country and it excites no surprise to see young fellows scarcely out of their teens occupying the most responsible positions and doubtless the Lounger will find few to agree with him when he states it as his opinion that on the whole it is a misfortune to see the highest places filled by beardless boys. He is a young man himself but he must recognize the fact that he is apt to become an old one and he would sooner make less rapid progress now than stand the chance, when he reaches middle age, of being thrust aside for a person twenty years his junior. If a man's working life is to cease at 45 or 50, none of us have much of an outlook before us. The world would be better, it seems to me, by having our young men serve long apprenticeships. George Eliot, in one of her poems, draws an interesting picture of Antonio Stradivari, the greatest violin maker in history, describing him as

"That plain white-apron'd man who stood at work
"Patient and accurate, full four-score years."

She compared him with Naldo.
"Knowing all tricks of style at thirty-one,
"And weary of them, while Antonio
"At sixty-nine wrought placidly his best."

There are plenty of Naldos abroad in the world today.

I learn that the modest chronicler of the Board of Trade excursion to Winnipeg failed to note one item on the programme that was arranged on the way home. The chairman made the announcement: "Miss Beatrice Fairfax will now sing 'Put Me in My Little Bed,' accompanied by the curate." The solo, however, did not come off.

A friend of the Honorable Minister of the Interior notes with pleasure the following recent declaration by his paper, the Bulletin: "Profanity never did any man the least good. No man is richer or happier, or wiser for it. It commends no one to society; it is disgusting to the refined, and abominable to the good."

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Wouldn't be Tolerated Here

Comparisons are often made between British and Canadian politics to show how much higher the ideals of the former are. It is true that on the whole a much better spirit is displayed in the old land. But there are exceptions. During the recent election in Manchester a handbill was circulated and was a factor in Mr Balfour's defeat. We venture to say that no Canadian constituency would tolerate such an attack on a public man as it contained. It was headed, "War Supplies, Past and Present," and was an extract from the "Memoirs of George Elers," captain of the Twelfth Regiment of Foot, edited from the original MSS. by Lord Morison and George Leverston Gower. Page 177, year about 1805: "There was living at Madras at this time a civilian named James Balfour. He had been suspended from the service for taking a horse as a present from some of the natives."

"He got restored, and as I had parted with all my horses he was so kind as to lend me one to ride, and I fed him. He was a great, tall, rough brute to ride, but he was better than none."

"The Honorable Basil Cochrane had for many years held the contract for supplying the navy with meat, provisions, etc., and made a very handsome fortune; but he kept open house for every officer in the navy, from the poor mid, to the post captain. This must have reduced his means of saving a very large fortune, which he might otherwise have done. My friend James Balfour, soon after I left India, got Cochrane's situation. He only held it a very few years and he made £300,000 and left a Scotsman, by the name of MacConachy, to act for him at an allowance of £6000 per annum."

"Balfour made this enormous fortune in about four years, as he told me. He bought a house in Grosvenor square, became an M.P. and married a daughter of the Earl of Lauderdale. He did not, like Cochrane, keep an open house, or if he did it was only the door and windows."

James Balfour, of Whittingshame N. B., married Lady Elenor Maitland, daughter of George, eighth Earl of Lauderdale, and begat a son, James Maitland.

James Maitland Balfour married Lady Blanche Cecil, sister to the late Lord Salisbury, and begat, a son, Arthur James.

Arthur James Balfour is an ex-managing director of the affairs of state that permitted the South African war stores scandals. Does breed tell?

A Knocker on My Midst.

B. Harris, till recently of Cheney, Washington territory, is, according

to the Spokane Spokesman's Review, now a resident of Strathcona. Mr. Harris, if he is still living in the town across the river, is apt to find himself rather unpopular in this vicinity. In a letter to the Spokesman's Review, which is dated the 17th of last October, he wrote:

"They claim there is no wind here, but that is not true. The wind is blowing here so hard that a fellow's bones rattle like a rattle with 12 rattles on. They also claim that cattle are running all winter on the range, and that also is untrue. People who have been in the country for some time inform me that they seen it 56 and even 70 degrees below zero, and the ground freezes nine to twelve feet, but still the agents and land sellers will tell you that it is the finest climate in the world. I have been out here six weeks, and should know a little about it. I saw on October 15, farmers from Fargo, N.D., who had been looking over land for the past six days until the cars would arrive with their effects, and came into Strathcona and never unloaded their cars, but sent them back again."

"A great deal of the land was taken up here two years ago, but any amount of it has been cancelled and never re-taken. Many take land about October, build a shack, stay over winter to the 1st of May and then return to Spokane and the Palouse country and work through threshing. They repeat this until they get a patent and then sell out when they can. In the country around LaCumb all the crops have been frozen out and the most of it has not been hauled out for the last five years. To take land one must hold down a claim in the wilderness with no neighbors for many miles but timber wolves and here and there perhaps an Indian or two. Get sick once and you will be finished for good."

"It is almost impossible to get work, as the farmers do not employ help, and the little work that is to be had in the towns is given to Russians, as there are lots of them and they work cheap."

It is difficult to fittingly characterize such a tissue of misstatements. The inference is that the farmers from Fargo complained of the climate. But is it possible to imagine that anyone would prefer the blizzards of Dakota to the fine, clear, healthy weather of Alberta? The meteorological records shows that the thermometer goes much lower in Dakota than in Strathcona and here we know nothing whatever of the storms which tie up business for days at a time in that state. Near Raymond in Southern Alberta the Knight Sugar Company is already engaged in sowing wheat. A baseball match was played at Lethbridge two weeks ago. There has been absolutely no hardship whatever involved by the weather conditions at any point in Alberta during the present winter and Mr. Harris' stories are absurd on their face. As to the abandonment of the land when once taken up, it is plainly contradicted by every statistic. These have been published over and over again. Thousands of American farmers are coming into the country each year and no one is more enthusiastic regarding its possibilities than they. The president and secretary of the Alberta Farmers' Association are both former American citizens. We would like to have Mr. Harris interview Mr. Warner and Mr. Stevens, and send their opinions

back to the Spokesman's Review. What does he think of the recent statement of Mr. B. W. Snow, the great American wheat expert, who holds that the Saskatchewan valley has the finest wheat-growing possibilities on the continent? Does that tally with his story about frozen crops? If the country is no good, why is it that the banks are tumbling over one another to get into it and commence business? Why are the railways all' using every effort to reach Edmonton, including the lines controlled by J. J. Hill, to whose energy the development of the Spokane country is for the most part due?

The men behind these corporations do not invest their millions in a territory that is so much frozen wilderness. Mr. Harris has either an unworthy object to serve or is quite incapable of making accurate observations.

Saskatoon and Regina are both putting up a strong fight for the capital of Saskatchewan. The citizens of the former have at last become convinced that the loss of the distinction is really threatened. Moosejaw and Prince Albert are setting forth their claims but they are not looked upon as having any chance. The Indian Head Prairie Witness makes this suggestion:

Were the people guided by beauty and picturesque of situation, there is one spot that none other can compare with, the beautiful historic and romantic Fort Qu'Appelle, that they would choose. We venture a hope that a compromise may yet be reached which will place our legislative halls beside the beautiful Qu'Appelle lakes, endeared as they are to many through legend, association, story and song. It was a cruel mistake that was made in earlier years when this lovely spot was not chosen for such a purpose, and it would be fitting if at last the gem of Saskatchewan should come to its own.

The Weather in Yukon

The Coldest Since the Advent of White Man to the Country

The coldest wave and the worst storm that has visited Alaska since the coming of the white race broke Saturday, Jan. 27. During the week the temperature at Skagway reached a colder point than ever before. At Dawson it was 75 degrees below zero and 85 at Tananalis, half-way between that place and Whitehorse. With it all was a terrific north gale.

The Whitehorse-Dawson stages were tied up and the White Pass Pass ran no trains. The road at places was covered with fifteen feet of snow. In fact, no train has got over the road.

The rotary has passed through the worst of the snow. The Jefferson was 60 hours making the trip from Juneau to Skagway. It is still intensely cold in the Yukon valley, being 60 below zero at Dawson, but the temperature is rising.

A letter dictated by an indignant gentleman ran thus: "Sir, my stenographer being a lady, cannot take down what I think of you; I, being a gentleman, cannot express it; but you, being neither, can readily divine it!"

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The Street Railway Problem.

What Guelph and St. Thomas can tell Edmonton about municipal ownership of car lines.

J. W. Lyon, of Guelph, looks to Edmonton to become a city of 100,000 in 15 years and thinks it would be foolish not to control its services.

In view of the interest which is being taken in the street railway problem in Edmonton, and the desire of the council and citizens to have a line constructed and operated as a municipal enterprise, the Saturday News has thought it advisable to prosecute some enquiries in regard to the success which other municipalities have attained in connection with similar undertakings. In Ontario, the two cities which own their street car lines are Guelph and St. Thomas, each of which has a population at present slightly in excess of that of Edmonton and Strathcona combined. In response to a letter requesting information, Mr. J. W. Lyon, the president of the Guelph railway commission, sends a very complete reply. The city of Guelph has been very fortunate in the men whom it has secured to manage its street railway. Mr. Lyon, himself, is a man of means and leisure and of untiring energy. He has large interests in the west and in his references to local conditions knows what he is talking about. Associated with him are G. B. Ryan, the foremost dry goods merchant of the city, J. J. Drew, a lawyer, and two members of the council, Mayor Sleeman and Ald. M. F. Cray. What success they have had Mr. Lyon tells at length. His letter reads as follows:

"Your letter to Mr. McIntosh has been handed to me for reply, as I am President of the Guelph Radial Railway, which is our street railway, the city property. The city purchased this property over two years ago, paying \$78,000 for it. Since then they have voted \$30,000 more to improve the road, purchase a park, install a storage battery, purchase new cars, extend the line, etc. I enclose you the statement of our manager, clipped from the Railway and Shipping World, which will show you the business done by the road during the past year. We have approximately seven miles of track. We are considering further extensions. The road was first opened in 1896 and lost from \$1,000 to \$6,000 a year for a number of years. The year before the city purchased it it lost about \$1,300 on operating expenses. The past year the surplus was over \$4,000 above operating expenses, and would have been a thousand dollars more had we not had a certain accident which cost us approximately about \$1,000. It is true that the statement does not show the said earnings of \$1,000. The reason of that is that we paid the interest on \$18,000 debentures. The city has subscribed new stock and debentures are now paid and the road is free of debt and has a promising future.

"Port Arthur and St. Thomas are also running electric railways. The venture was a losing one in Port Arthur for a number of years but is now making a great deal of money and will continue to make more and more. The road could not be made to pay in Guelph were it not for our agricultural College which I suppose you know about, that is visited annually by about 40,000 people and there is constant travelling between it and the city besides. The opening of our new park last year was the main cause of the great increase

over former years. At the present stage the railway is just about paying interest on its cost without being able to write off anything for depreciation, although we are keeping the road in good repair, I think better than when we obtained the road. It is plain, however, to see that from now on it will pay much better and in a year or two it will in my opinion be on a sound financial basis and able to pay a good dividend on the money invested, and also able to set aside a sufficient sum for repairs and depreciation.

"Guelph at present has something over 13,000 population. I understand that Edmonton thinks of building three miles to begin with. This will only mean a comparatively small investment and should approximately pay. There would be no large profit in the road to Edmonton until it had from 15,000 to 18,000 population. After that point it should be a continually increasing and valuable asset, and as I believe that Edmonton will in the future become a very large city it certainly would be wisdom for Edmonton to own its own franchise and street car line. Municipal ownership is growing. Almost every place that has municipal ownership is well satisfied and could not be induced to change. If Edmonton gave the franchise to other parties the natural result would be that within ten years' time you would be buying it back and paying a very long price for the franchise.

"The city of Guelph was compelled to buy the street railway although at the time it looked like a losing investment, simply to obtain the rights to our own streets, as the street railway franchise was of a character to control our streets. By starting a short line of three miles you would lose but little and you would forestal and keep others out and the line can be extended as the service was found necessary, and when Edmonton became a large city you would be a long way the gainer. If you ever expect Edmonton to extend to 20,000 population you should by all means own and control your street car service. In my opinion Edmonton will pass 100,000 within 15 years, and the surplus earnings of the street railway for a city of that size would go a long way towards paying the taxes."

St. Thomas Experience

N. H. Buchner, editor of the St. Thomas Times writes:

"Your memo received. As to the street cars here, the service has shown a deficit of something over \$1000 each year since the city took it over, but the shortage has grown less each year. So many steam rail roads cross the city that the trolley line is obstructed, and people are compelled to ride several miles around the belt line in order to get half or quarter of a mile across town. Then the fares were made low—8 tickets for 25 cents, and ten tickets for 25 cents for working-men during certain hours. The council this year proposes to raise rates to six tickets for a quarter, and eight for working men. During the summer the lines pay; in the winter they lose. With a cross-town line, which is expected soon, it is anticipated the system will pay its way. The people want the cars."

The Mirror

Parepa's Song.

That night we heard Parepa sing—
Do you remember, dear?
What, love, so long ago? To me
It seems but scarce a year.
But oh, that night our hearts were
light,
And joy was in its spring;
For we had learned to love, that
night
We heard Parepa sing.
Mute, mute, long mute that glor-
ious voice!
But, walking home to-night
I passed an open window. All
The room within was light.
Deep chords were softly touched;
and then
I heard a young voice ring,
Clear passion thrilled. It was that
song
We heard Parepa sing.
Rapt on the crowded walk I stood,
I could not tear away.
You smile! A love-song—what to
me,
A man whose hair is gray?
Ah, gray, indeed! But, Dorothy,
My thoughts had taken wing.
Again, a boy, I held your hand,
And heard Parepa sing.

We were having a little musicale—a very informal one—gotten up on the spur of the moment that prompted one of us to seat herself at the piano in one of the lodgers' rooms and play over the old favorites we all knew. The evening began with the pianist as sole audience and ended with most of us hovering in the near vicinity. We had had all the old stand-bys, from "Drink to me only with thine eyes," to rollicking "John Dough," the newest sensation in things musical. Some of us knew the selections and some didn't, but we all liked the cheery jingle that reminded us of other days, from the jolly evenings spent in the dear home theatre to the nights when he or she had sung—of love and tender glances—and lips that had asked naught of life but a return of the love they so lavishly gave. How certain songs and people associate themselves in our minds, even as a book, a flower, a perfume, are on the instant suggestive of another particular entity which at one time made a more or less deep impression on one's life. "I want no star in Heaven to guide me" sang the girl with a weakness in the high notes. And the man over in the corner of the room closed his eyes forgetful of the present in his contemplation of another girl who had sung the song and incidentally some of his heart away many years ago. "Here a sheer hulk lies poor Tom Bowling" called up to another a boy in a mining camp who sang it, to quote my informant, "like the very devil." Nevin's "Rosary" found most of us silent. What is there about its exquisite chords and undertone of haunting sadness that makes it a first favorite in such a motley of audiences? There is a "Parepa" in most of our lives, which needs only a snatch of song, or a few stray chords to call to life.

The moving season has commenced again in Edmonton. I use the word "commenced" while at the same time doubting if ever the moving vans have once been idle since this wonderful little city put

on that growing spurt which is to end where—no one knows.

House moving stands for so many milestones in one's life. It is the end of much, the beginning of much, and each departure is a step nearer to the last and greatest. You remember how Lord Macaulay felt this when he painfully packed up his library in the Albany—that home of the aristocratic bachelor which runs up so privately from Piccadilly to Vigo Street in old London. For fifteen years he had lived there among his books, receiving his friends. There he had written his History and many of his most brilliant essays, and there he had sent out his "Lays of Ancient Rome" to thrill every school-boy in the land. There too he had bought the leisure of his later years. He admitted that he was going to leave the Albany thrice as rich and far more famous than when he entered it. Yet the leaving of it made him profoundly sad. In his diary he tells us that he had been very happy at the top of that toilsome staircase, and that everything he was doing was colored by the thought that he would never do it again. You all know Dr. Johnson's oft quoted remark that a person never does a thing consciously for the last time without a feeling of regret. You can well understand the passionate devotion that actuates the old countryman for the place of abode of his fathers when you consider the generations that have come and gone of his name that have called the old place home. Canadians are too new a people to rightly appreciate how inbred in the bone the average Britisher's feelings are in this respect. We love our homes, but we move too often to understand how death itself seems easier to a man than the giving up of the old place. In a new city like Edmonton properties are being turned over too often to represent much of tragedy or romance to the average man or woman. Money and the love of it are in danger of robbing us of sentimental attachments of this character. But what has started me on this train of thought is the fact that once again I hope soon to have a roof which I may call my own, and that means a heap in Edmonton at present.

I never enter a new house now and wander around its empty rooms but that the thought comes to me, "what are you to mean to me, what is destined to happen to us here?" I am reminded always of other houses that have held much of comedy and tragedy for me. Firstly there was the little brand-new red-brick house—oh such a wonderful affair it seemed then—that represented our first home. I can remember the first ecstatic hanging of curtains, the polishing of the new silver, the jolly chafing-dish parties. I can readily recollect too my Dora—like keeper of household accounts. Then came His Highness, King Baby, and henceforth a halo settled around the uncomfortable little quarters and now I never look back to that house but to bless it for all the joy it brought to me.

Other houses followed and each has its peculiar associations. There was the red-brick house with every modern convenience. What this means to a housekeeper, often servanless, every woman knows. Here I had the joy of papering according to my own taste. I had too the wherewithal to furnish as I listed, and this house I always

enter in my mental diary as my first experience on Easy street. (Possibly Uneasy it was for my worse seven - eighths). The last house of all was painted the vividest green known to the profession. We were forced however to take it, through having its predecessor sold over our heads. This shelter for our household goods I look back upon with mingled feelings. It saw our first great trial—a fearful siege of illness—but it also revealed to us an inestimable treasure—the possession of scores of loving friends. We left it only to try our fortunes in a new land. And now I'm wondering what the little house that we are at present looking forward to has in store for us.

Here is a story of a young fellow who married in haste and is repenting at leisure. The other night he went home and raised a row because the dinner wasn't half cooked. His better seven-eighths ripped out: "I'm going back to mother. Nothing seems to please you. If you don't like my style of cooking, why, sir, you must do your own cooking hereafter. You didn't marry a cook." Peace was declared about bedtime. In the small hours of the morning there was a noise downstairs. "George, George!" she cried, shaking him out of a deep sleep, "there are burglars in the house. Go down and catch them." Lazily rolling over, he replied: "Aav, Mary, go down and capture them yourself. You didn't marry no policeman."

He was considered to be very eloquent and was having a free time. His subject led him to speak of the workers and the diversity of the manifestations of creative power. He said, "When

I think of the wonderful Being that spake a universe into existence I am overwhelmed. He made the mighty leviathan, and he made the tiny animalcule; he made a thundering Niagara, and he made the little purling brook; he made the glacier, and he made a snow-flake; he made me, and he made a daisy." And he can't account even to this day, for the smile that slowly passed over his congregation.

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Those desiring a delineation of their character from their handwriting should write a letter at least a hundred words in length and sign a nom de plume to it. Lined paper should in no case be used. An effort should be made to discuss some subject of interest. The coupon attached below should be clipped and enclosed and the letter addressed to "Peggy," care of the Saturday News.

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Frank—Regarding my opinion with reference to the questions you ask, I have only one answer to make—If you know a thing to be foolish, why not be sensible and give it up, irrespective of what I or anyone else may think. My dear boy, believe me, you are infinitely worthy of better things, and again some things are worth paying a heavy price for—but others are not. Yours may be safely entered in the latter category. You asked me, not to be conventional, to be original rather and "please not preachy," but there you ask an impossibility. How can I be taught but preachy when a foolish but

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The Household

Pepper-Nuts—Separate the whites and yolks of three eggs, beat the yolks until thick and the whites until stiff, then mix lightly together. Beat in gradually one pound of sugar and nuts, fruits and spices to taste and add a pinch of salt. Sift very carefully three cupfuls of flour with two teaspoonfuls of baking powder and mix in the batter until the dough looks crumbly. Pinch off small pieces of this about the size of a walnut and place on buttered tins. Bake in a moderately hot oven for twenty minutes and dust over with powdered sugar.

Cocoanut Puffs—Beat stiffly the whites of three eggs, adding one cup of powdered sugar. Heat the bowl over steam until a slight crust forms on bottom and sides of dish; take from the steam and add one teaspoonful of cornstarch and two cups of dessicated cocoanut. Drop in small pieces on buttered tins and bake quickly until light brown.

A Hedgehog—Bake a sponge cake in an oblong pan. When cold pour over it a glass of sherry wine; then stick it full of blanched almonds and pour over all a soft custard.

Berlin Goodies—One quarter of a pound of butter rubbed with one-half a pound of sugar, add one-half a pound of sifted flour and stir through the whole, four eggs, beaten separately. Spread the mixture on the pan a medium thickness, perhaps one-half an inch or little more. Cover the top with chopped almonds, ground cinnamon and a little powdered sugar.

Coffee Custard—Put one cup and a half of milk in a double boiler and add one tablespoonful of cornstarch which has been dissolved in a little cold milk. Allow the milk and cornstarch to become thoroughly blended and add one teaspoonful of sugar. Whip one egg to a froth and pour into the cornstarch mixture, stirring all the time until it is perfectly smooth, but not too thick. Two minutes is usually sufficient to leave on the fire. Add one-half teaspoonful of coffee extract.

Home and Society

Two of the prettiest and most enjoyable luncheon parties of the season claimed Mrs. James Wallbridge as hostess on Thursday and Friday last. The luncheon table was decorated with pink and white azaleas. A shallow cut-glass bowl of the lovely bloom, and four cut-glass vases of the same were the floral decoration for the occasions. Mrs. Wallbridge looked exceedingly sweet and graceful in a gown of French gray voile over taffeta, with lovely cream lace garniture and pearl ornaments.

The Willing Workers of All Saints Church are feeling very jubilant this week over the splendid success of their Carnival of Friday last. The object for

which the Carnival was given was the raising of a sum of money to help pay off the debt on the new organ, and it will doubtless surprise many to learn that over \$450 was taken in on that evening. This does not include all the returns and of course does not reckon with the necessary expense account. However it is certain that the Willing Workers will clear a very tidy amount in aid of their object. The Carnival itself was most successful one from every standpoint, the costumes and exhibitions of graceful skating delighting the large crowd of onlookers. The ladies who worked so faithfully to bring about such happy results are desirous of thanking all who in any way contributed towards the success of the evening.

At the conclusion of the Carnival on Friday evening, Mrs. Hubbell invited the members of the very popular Hockey clubs who had participated in the match, and some of their admirers to an informal dance at her pretty home on Fourth st., where, despite the exertion they had been put to earlier in the evening, everyone enjoyed themselves to the utmost.

On Saturday afternoon Miss Abbie Sommerville gave a jolly young people's tea in honor of Mrs. Barford's sister, Miss Lynch. The afternoon was made especially enjoyable by the presence of various members of the sterner sex, who were not above enjoying a delicious cup of tea and a chat "over the tea-cups."

Miss Sommerville received at the entrance to the pretty drawing-room and looked very sweet and winsome in a gown of pale pink voile over taffeta, with chemise of insertion belt and ribbon garniture of soft pink silk.

Mrs. Sommerville assisted her daughter in receiving, and looked particularly young and graceful in a gown of black silk.

The tea-table, which was presided over by Mrs. Mays for the first hour and Mrs. Hubbell for the second, had as a centerpiece an exquisite pink azalea on a centerpiece of pink and white. Four brass candlesticks held softly shaded candles in pink tones, carrying out the lovely color scheme.

Miss Lynch left on Monday morning on a visit to Pincher Creek.

After the skating on Tuesday evening, Mrs. Frank Sommerville entertained a number of the younger set at her charming home on Hardisty avenue, where, after a delicious supper, a very jolly evening was spent.

A Chapter of the Imperial Order of The Daughters of the Empire has been established in Edmonton. This Order is in alliance with The Victoria League, London, England, and The Navy League, England. The objects of the Order are Imperial, Patriotic, and Philanthropic. Branches are already established in all the British Colonies and Dependencies. By means of this organization with its ramifications in every British Possession, it is hoped the unity of the Empire will be strengthened. The head office of the National Chapter of Canada is at Toronto. While the Order is firmly established in the other provinces, the Edmonton Chapter is the first to be established in the province of Alberta. The following is a list of the officers of the Edmonton Chapter:—Hon. Vice-President, Mrs. Bulvey; Regent, Mrs. H. L. Wilson; 1st Vice-Regent, Mrs. Cross; 2nd Vice-Regent, Mrs. Houchier; Standard Bearer, Mrs. Strath; Treasurer, Mrs. P. D. Hobson; Secretary, Mrs. Ewing. The Mirror wishes the new chapter all success, and trusts that it may be in its power to help it along in its work from time to time.

The Richmond Hill Liberal contained the following account of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Beck, who have recently returned to their home in Edmonton:

Many of our village folk had looked forward to Jan. 9 as a special day in social circles. It had been announced that Miss Louisa Adelaide Teskey, second daughter of our respected postmaster, would be united in marriage to Nicholas D. Beck, Esq., K. C., L. L. B., of Edmonton, Alberta. St. Mary's church was crowded with friends and neighbors to witness the ceremony. Promptly at half past ten the bride, dressed in a light grey tailor-made dress, and wearing a

blue toque, entered the church leaning upon the arm of her venerable father. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Mary A. Teefy, whilst H. T. Beck, Esq., M. A., of Toronto, and brother of the bridegroom, acted as groomsmen. Both on the entrance and exit of the party Mr. Earle Newton played choice selections at the organ. The ceremony was performed by the bride's brother, the Rev. Father Teefy, C. S. B., assisted by the parish priest, the Rev. Father McMahon. After the marriage mass the bridal party drove to Mr. Teefy's residence, where the newly married couple received the congratulations of a few invited guests. These were limited to the relatives: Mr. and Mrs. E. R. C. Clarkson, of Toronto; Mrs. T. Mulcahy, the bride's sister, with her second son, Mr. Teefy Mulcahy, and her third daughter, Miss Eileen; A. F. Teefy, Esq., of Chicago, and Mrs. W. Houston, of Toronto. After refreshments had been served Mr. and Mrs. Beck left for Toronto and Peterboro, Miss Teefy was the recipient of a large number of valuable presents, showing her popularity in the community, and the appreciation of her many friends and well wishers. The Liberal joins with them in extending to both the bride and groom its sincere wishes for many years of happiness and prosperity.

It is not likely that the old timers of Edmonton will give a ball this year. Those of Vancouver held one in Pender Hall in this city on Tuesday which was a great success.

The marriage of Miss Margaret A. Pye, eldest daughter of Mrs. M. Pye, Wyoming, Ont., to Mr. W. L. Elliott, Lacombe, Alta., took place at St. John's church, Wyoming, on Wednesday, January 31.

The engagement has been announced of Miss Josephine Troop, of St. John's, New Brunswick, to Mr. C. E. McPherson, general passenger agent of the C. P. R., whose headquarters are in Winnipeg, and who has many friends in Edmonton. The marriage will take place in April. The fair bride-elect belongs to one of the oldest and best known families in St. John's.

George J. Sockett, of High River, was married last week in Brantford, Ont., to Miss Nellie Muir, second daughter of John Muir of that city.

The death of Mrs. Dewdney, wife of the former lieutenant-governor of the Territories, which took place in Victoria recently, will occasion widespread regret throughout the West. She twice did the honors of Government House, at Regina and afterwards at Victoria, and was in all respects a charming hostess.

The engagement is announced of Miss Amy Dorn, daughter of the late Wm. Dorn, of Hamilton, Ont., to J. R. Lawry, manager of the Bank of Hamilton at Fernie.

A very large dance was given in the Alexandra Hall, Calgary, on Wednesday of last week, by Senator and Mrs. Longhead. Numerous guests were present from other western towns and cities.

A bachelors' dance took place in the Opera House, Calgary, on Wednesday, the 14th inst. The lady patronesses were Mesdames Loughheed, Sifton, Hull, Macleod, Rowley and MacLeod.

The Belleville, Ont., papers contain long accounts of the wedding of William Featherstonhaugh of this city to Miss Helen E. Butler, sister of M. P. Butler, deputy minister of railways and canals, which took place in St. Michael's church in that city. The happy pair will take a honeymoon tour in the east before coming west.

A quiet wedding took place in Sunderland, near Ottawa, on January 30th, when Miss Margaret McFarlane, only daughter of the late Matthew Reid, was married to Mr. R. W. McKinnell, mayor of Ponoka, Alberta, the Rev. Horace Peckover officiating. The bride, who was unattended, was given away by her uncle, Mr. Robert Reid of "Maple Cliff," Ottawa. She wore a gown of white point d'esprit over taffeta and carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley and maiden hair fern. The Mayor and Mrs. McKinnell will be at home in Ponoka after March 1st.

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A Defence of the Army

To the Editor of the Saturday News

Sir—After reading your issue of February 10th, and the article in the *Lounger's* notes commenting on the Salvation Army meeting at which your subscriber, Mr. C. Eymundson, declared that the officer threatened to pray to God to strike the said Mr. Eymundson dead because of some dissent he offered, kindly permit me to say—first, I decline to believe you intend to allow the columns of your paper for other use than healthy truthful intercourse of dispassionate themes.

The incident occurred during prayer meeting at which Mr. Eymundson with others stayed after the usual evening service. Nobody sitting in the immediate proximity appears to have heard any such threat from the officer. Many appear to have heard Mr. Eymundson's declaration of infidelity and of his boast of being an associate of doctrines the very opposite to that which all knew the meeting was assembled to promote. Of agnosticism and such attendant hypotheses, it is not my intention to trespass upon your space by saying anything. Nevertheless, I must say to your Mr. Eymundson want of manly prudence played a too paramount part in his conduct in selecting the sanctity of a prayer meeting in an open place of worship to evaporate any atheistic tendencies he may entertain for him to assume through the public press injured humanity. The officer referred to (Adjutant Byers) has been so long a labourer in the alleys of human squalor wherein prostrate brothers and sisters lie subservient at the feet of sin and revolting crime. There are so many monuments walking the earth to-day who have by this same man a ceaseless devotion even resurrection from self-detrimentation who to-day are noble specimens of humanity in every province of this country from Nova Scotia to Alberta, to permit of the aspersions your article would cast if allowed to go unchallenged. We poor (in pocket) Salvationists may not possess massive piles of architectural wealth, or costly furniture of decorative art. We are, I know, an unfashionable battalion of the great army, and for lacking our church of song and praise to the very corridors of hell, we stand condemned but not by Heaven. There are honored residents of this city who will tell you but because of such exercises on our part, they to-day would be as they were in the thirteenth of the worst attributes of vice. They have been rescued from despair and public charge, to walk life's high-way with head erect, the declaration of which finds so much displeasure in Mr. Eymundson and his associates sight. If it is high fledged oratory and classic appendages your injured subscriber seeks the Salvation Army pretends not to supply. If it be evidence of the Army's thought for the body as well as the soul, of the Rescue Homes, the Shelters, the Prison Gate department, the Immigration department the department for the lost and fallen, the employment bureau operating from coast to coast in this country, in America, and almost every country in the world, regardless of creed, caste or religion or nationality we have these necessary equipments.

Sir, if I mistake not the underlying charity of your pen you will apply its forceful power and space of paper to matter that seeks not the one purpose to condemn, to blame and blast, but to educate your contributors and readers to nobler ends attend. We with such light as by prayer work and praise can from Heaven call believe and apply sustenance alike to body and soul.

Yours sincerely

MINNIE TRAVIS-BARKER

Marriages

Lineham—Creighton—On Thursday, February 1st, at the residence of the bride's parents, Lineham, Alta., by the Rev. C. Tate, M.A., of Okotoks, Miss Janet, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Creighton, to Thomas E. Lineham, of Okotoks, Alta.

Morin—Whitley—At the Queen's Hotel, Edmonton, on February 19th, George Morin, of Lesser Slave Lake, to Sarah Whitley of Eiland, Yorkshire, England.

Levasseur—DeBalleauilla—At St. Joachim's church, Edmonton, on February 18th, by the Rev. Father Hétu, Louis Levasseur of Prince Albert, to Alma De Balleauilla of Edmonton.

About Town

R. McKernan, of Strathcona, has rented the Dominion Hotel there to Mr. McLellan of Fort Saskatchewan for a term of three years.

The home of Mrs. Dunn, on Tenth street between Naimayo and Fraser, was destroyed by fire shortly after six o'clock on Tuesday evening. Mrs. Dunn was not in the house when the fire started. The upsetting of a lamp by the dog is believed to have been responsible. The firemen had not enough hose to reach the building.

The council on Tuesday night instructed the commissioners to write the C.P.R. authorities and ask what the vehicular portion of the high level bridge would cost and what the company wanted in the way of room for their terminals and stops.

City Solicitor Beck has applied for an increase in salary. The commissioners will consider the matter.

A complaint, that the deputy pound-keeper had snatched a colt from a fence and taken it to the pound, having been found justified, the council will discharge that official and appoint another pending the return of head pound-keeper Ford.

Many old established houses believe they are so well known that advertising is unnecessary. What percentage of the firms of thirty years ago are in business to-day? The oldest firms in Great Britain and the United States are the largest advertisers. Pears' Soap, established 160 years ago, spends nearly a million dollars yearly in advertising; Cross & Blackwell, founded 200 years ago, are also heavy advertisers. Hundreds more could be mentioned of such cases.—Winnipeg Commercial.

Winnipeg, Saskatoon, Edmonton—capitals of the three great Western Canadian Provinces, and all on the great Canadian trans-continental line.—Saskatoon Phoenix.

A deputation interviewed Hon. Frank Oliver at Medicine Hat last week asking for the establishment of that town as the headquarters of the Strathcona Horse. Mr. Oliver said that nothing had as yet been determined upon, so far as he knew. He mentioned, though, that the barracks were to have gone to Edmonton or Strathcona at first, but that these two places were now out of the running. Hon. Mr. Scott said that he had been given to understand that Medicine Hat had practically been chosen as the headquarters of the corps.

The Red Deer Advocate in discussing the result of the recent murder trial in that town says of a well-known member of the Edmonton bar: "The young lawyer, Mr. Hyndman who conducted the defence, is to be congratulated upon his line of defence, and upon his manner of conducting the case. We think he showed conspicuous ability, sound judgment and tact."

Application is to be made to the legislature for an act to incorporate the Alberta Northern Railway and Coal Company. It is proposed to run a line from Lettbridge to High River and Calgary and then to the west of the C. & E. branch of the C. P. R. to a point in or near Edmonton, with branches to Red Deer and Wetaskiwin. A. J. Arnold, Windsor, Ont., is solicitor for the applicants.

P. B. Maroney and B. C. Roberts came to town from Lesser Slave Lake on Saturday with \$30,000 worth of fur. They confirm other reports that have been received as to the phenomenally successful year that the fur traders are enjoying. On their way down they met Harry S. Clifford, who left Edmonton about a month ago to prospect for oil about 350 miles northwest of the city.

The Russian Opera Co., which played here for a week in November, was burned out recently in Astoria, Oregon, the theatre there being destroyed. The company's loss was \$4,000. They carried no insurance.

E. M. Jorden of the Brackman Ker office in Strathcona has left for Winnipeg to take a position with the fire underwriters.

Mrs. Macdonald, wife of Rev. A. Macdonald of Leduc, visited in Edmonton and Strathcona last week.

J. E. Casely, of the Bellamy Co. has returned from an extended visit to Ontario and Prince Edward Island.

Mrs. A. B. Donley of Winnipeg is the guest of Mrs. Finch at the Pendennis Hotel.

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Home and Society

The first official reception at Government House took place on Thursday afternoon and caused quite a flutter in social circles. The event is a milestone in the history of Edmonton and Mr. Sun shone forth in quite his friendliest fashion, and fair women and dignified cavaliers turned out en masse to grace the occasion. Government House is hardly calculated to serve the needs of a very large reception, but to offset that it can boast of a charming coyness seldom met with in houses of state. I heard many flattering comments apropos of the pretty decorations, and many good wishes expressed for the genial Lieut.-Governor and Mrs. Bulyea. They received their callers at the entrance to the drawing-room, Mrs. Bulyea looking exceedingly well in a handsome costume of white embroidered cashmere, with pleatings of silk and handsome lace garniture.

The color tones in the drawing-room are green and white and Thursday this same effect was carried out in all the floral decorations, among the latter being noticed a large basket of lovely bloom presented to Mrs. Bulyea by the Alexandra Nursery.

The tea-table was a piece de resistance, in the centre being a large cut-glass bowl of calla lilies, resting on a centre-piece of filmy Tenerife lace. Running diagonally across the table were wide ribbon streamers of pale green satin caught at the corners in huge bows, the soft light shed from the dome electrolite in air tones of pale yellow blending with the tints of the red and yellow wall decorations, completing a very attractive picture. In the parlor several young gentlemen looked after the comfort of the guests. Among the callers, who by the way were legion, I noticed Mrs. Cross looking stunning in a dainty gown of cream voile, with the jauntiest of little French hats white, with trimmings of pale blue and a huge knot of exquisite violets. A second reception was held on Friday afternoon.

On Thursday evening Mrs. H. C. Wilson was the hostess of a jolly progressive "500" party. The Doctor and Mrs. Wilson are always the most thoughtful host and hostess, and an evening spent in their cosy home always remains a delightful memory. At midnight a delicious supper was served and several very pretty prizes distributed to the lucky winners. Mrs. Wilson also entertained at a matinee "500" party Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Griesbach is holding her post-nuptial reception this (Friday) afternoon.

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The Week in Calgary

Where did the Money come from? Mr. Burns' Handsome Profit.

Calgary, Feb. 15th.

The question "Where did the Money come from?" has not been answered yet in the case of R. S. Lake, the Liberal committeeman, charged with offering a man named Burton \$10 not to go to the barracks to defend his vote. The jury's verdict was: "We find him guilty, but we also find that he was a tool in the hands of others and we strongly recommend him to mercy, even to the extent of suspended sentence." Who the others were is not stated and now all are placing the meaning that they like upon the words. The Alberta says it means that Burton and others put up a game on Lake and the Herald that it means that the Liberal organization was responsible. The first explanation is difficult to comprehend, and it cannot be said that Mr. Cushing's election managers are cleared as yet. It is a pity that the jury could not have been more definite. Lake was allowed to go on suspended sentence.

P. Burns, by the sale of a three story brick block at the corner of Granville and Robson streets, Vancouver, has cleared up \$30,000 profit in two years. The property was bought by D. B. Charlson for \$55,000. It has a frontage of 50 and a depth of 120 feet.

The Secretary of the Board of Trade has received a letter from Louis W. Hill, son of the Great Northern president, saying that he will visit Calgary in all probability in the spring.

The property in the west end across the Bow March bridge, commonly known as the polo grounds, owned by Mrs. S. W. Trott, of Montreal, has been sold. The price was \$10,000 for the block and an offer has been made of \$24,000 for the same 100 acres. The property has been bought by Messrs. Jones, Cross, Van Wart and Crandell.

The city engineer has informed the council that if it desires the sewerage system extended further west, a trunk sewer at a cost of \$20,000 will have to be built. The work will probably be gone on with.

The Pioneer furniture store was broken into on Friday night last and a small sum of money and a cheque was taken. When the loss was discovered, the Union Bank was telephoned in order that the payment of the cheque be stopped. A man who gave his name as J. A. Tucker presented it. Strange to say, owing to some misunderstanding, he was not held, payment merely being refused. He was described as a Swede about 25 years old. The next night a man who gave his name as Peterson was arrested as answering the description given. On Tuesday he was committed for trial.

The lumbermen of Alberta held an organization meeting here on Friday last when the following officers were chosen: President, P. A. Prince, Calgary; Vice-President, A. B. Cushing, Edmonton; Secretary, A. M. Grogan, Calgary. Those attending the meeting were: Messrs. Grosse, Wetaskiwin; Becker, Calgary; Gourley, Lacombe; McNeill, Lethbridge; W. Dean, Olds.

The Misses Adamson who have been the guests of Mrs. (Dr.) Farquharson have left on a visit to Fort Saskatchewan.

John Sommerville leaves next week on an extended trip to Oregon and California.

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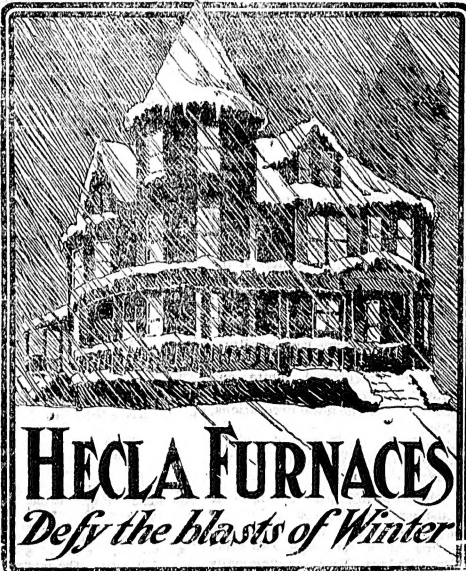
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About Town.

Notice is given of a Second Smoking Concert to be given by the Edmonton Cricket Club on Saturday, 24th Feb., in Hourston's Hall, beginning at 8.15. Tickets \$1 may be procured from the Smoking concert committee which is composed of Messrs. Jones, Lucas, Slocock, Stimson and Strongitharn. A varied programme is being provided by Messrs. Lucas and Plowright.

The Bank of Nova Scotia has moved into its new quarters in the Empire block.

Rev. R. Telfer, Methodist clergyman in the Edison and Pembina district, is confined to the public hospital with a broken leg sustained through a fall from his horse.

Charles Lewis Shaw of Winnipeg, the famous war correspondent, who formerly practised law in Edmonton some years ago, is at the Alberta, accompanied by his bride.

Hon. Dr. DeVeber and C. Hiebert, M.P.P. for Rosebud, are in the city.

A test has been made by the C. N. R. of coal taken from the Brenton mine east of the city. An engine going to Vermilion, 125 miles distant and carrying 700 tons of freight used only 7½ tons of Edmonton coal, while 8 tons of the Lethbridge variety is required for a similar pull. There is every likelihood that the Edmonton mines will supply in the near future not only the C. N. R. but the other railways radiating from this city.

Death of an Old Timer

The death took place in Winnipeg last week of Capt. Percy Reginald Neale, a pioneer member of the Mounted Police. The late Capt. Neale was an Englishman, and about 54 years of age. In his early days he was connected with the royal horse artillery. He came to Canada in 1873 and after remaining in Ottawa for a short time, he enlisted in the N. W. M. P. and went west. He was shortly afterwards made inspector and later superintendent, in charge of the MacLeod district. Capt. Neale was at the battle of Cut Knife Creek, in the last Riel rebellion. He remained with the mounted police until 1887, and was later appointed to a position in the customs department at Ottawa. He married the daughter of Mr. Champness, of that city, but afterwards customs officer at Lethbridge, Alberta.

M. S. McCarthy, M.P., is in the city from Calgary.

W. A. Kirkpatrick of Port Arthur has joined the local staff of the C.N.R.

At the annual meeting of the Strathcona Board of Trade on Tuesday night, Dr McIntyre was elected president. The board is in a flourishing condition.

Olsen—At Colchester Settlement, on February 3rd, the wife of W. R. S. Olsen, aged 32 years.

Births

Houle—To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Houle, Morinville, a son.

Forster—On January 30th, to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert G. Forster, of Horse Hills, a son.

McDonald—On January 23rd, to the wife of C. McDonald, Lethbridge, a son.

McGuffin—To the wife of John A. McGuffin, Lethbridge, on January 3rd, a daughter.

Berry—Near Wetaskiwin, on the 17th January, to Mr. and Mrs. Jake Berry, a daughter.

Quinn—On February 1st, the wife of J. G. Quinn, of the Herald, Calgary, of a son.

Robinson—At Lamoureux on Feb. 7th, the wife of P. Robinson, of a son.

Black—At Medicine Hat, on Friday Feb. 2, the wife of L. Black, of a daughter.

Halpin—At Medicine Hat, on Wednesday, February 7th, the wife of T. L. Halpin, of a son.

Marriages

Briggs-Smith—At Calgary, by the Rev. G. W. Kerby, January 30, at the home of Mrs. Frank A. Ship, 1313 Fifth street east, Evelyn R. Briggs, of Calgary, and Stephen H. Smith, of Innisfall.

Akins-Ohlson—At the manse, Wetaskiwin, by Rev. J. E. Hogg, on the 29th January, George W. Akins, of Langdon, to Miss Cora A. Ohlson, of Bawlf.

Gallwey—Phillips—On the 27th Jan., at Christ Church, Macleod, by the Rev. F. D. Tyner, Francis Vyvian, youngest son of Sir Michael Henry Gallwey, of Pietermaritzburg, S. A., to Grace Marguerite, only daughter of the late William Phillips, of Madison, Ohio, U. S. A., and Beaumaris, North Wales, England.

Deaths

Geize—On February 8th, John Geize, of Clover Bar, aged 87 years.

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